AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- 1. (Currently amended) A copper-based alloy <u>comprising_consisting of 5.0 to 10.0</u> wt% of Zn, 2.8 to 5.0 wt% of Sn, 0.4 to 3.0 wt% of Bi, $0 < \text{Se} \le 0.35$ wt%, 0 < P < 0.5 wt%, 3.0 wt% or less of Ni, and a balance of Cu and unavoidable impurities.
- 2. (Currently amended) The copper-based alloy according to claim 1, eomprising wherein the content of Se is 0.2 wt% or less-of Se.
- 3. (Currently amended) The copper-based alloy according to claim 1, comprising wherein the content of Sn is 3.5 to 4.5 wt%-of Sn.
- 4-5. (Cancelled)
- 6. (Currently amended) A copper-based alloy comprising consisting of 5.0 to 10.0 wt% of Zn, 2.8 to 5.0 wt% of Sn, 0.4 to 3.0 wt% of Bi, $0 \le \text{Se} \le 0.35$ wt%, 0 < P < 0.5 wt%. 3.0 wt% or less of Ni, and a balance of Cu and unavoidable impurities, and further comprising 1.20 to 4.90 vol% of at least one selected from the group consisting of a non-solid solution substance secured with Bi and a non-solid solution substance secured with Bi and Se, and a balance of Cu and unavoidable impurities.
- 7. (Currently amended) The copper-based alloy according to claim 6, comprising wherein the at least one non-solid solution substance is secured with Bi.
- 8. (Currently amended) The copper-based alloy according to claim 6, comprising wherein the at least one non-solid solution substance is secured with Bi and Se.
- 9. (Cancelled)
- 10. (Previously presented) A cast ingot produced using the alloy according to claim 1 and a liquid-contacting part formed of the cast ingot.

11. (Currently amended) The copper-based alloy according to claim 2, eomprising wherein the content of Sn is 3.5 to 4.5 wt%-of Sn.

12-18. (Cancelled)

- 19. (Previously presented) A cast ingot produced using the alloy according to claim 2 and a liquid-contacting part formed of the cast ingot.
- 20. (Previously presented) A cast ingot produced using the alloy according to claim 3 and a liquid-contacting part formed of the cast ingot.

21-22. (Cancelled)

- 23. (Previously presented) A cast ingot produced using the alloy according to claim 6 and a liquid-contacting part formed of the cast ingot.
- 24. (Previously presented) A cast ingot produced using the alloy according to claim 7 and a liquid-contacting part formed of the cast ingot.
- 25. (Previously presented) A cast ingot produced using the alloy according to claim 8 and a liquid-contacting part formed of the cast ingot.
- 26. (Cancelled)